

Interview Summary

Application No.

09/864,925

Applicant(s)

EROMAKI, PENTTI JUHANI

Examiner

Steven D. Maki

Art Unit

1733

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Steven D. Maki.

(3) _____.

(2) Michael Girard.

(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 26 January 2004.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1-3, 10-24 and 31.

Identification of prior art discussed: art of record.


Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Interview Summary Attachments A and B.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.


Examiner's signature, if required

Interview Summary Attachment A

Discussed Interview Summary Attachment B (copy of response filed 1-20-04).

Examiner noted that 112 second paragraph rejections are withdrawn except for claims 13, 14 and 23.

Examiner noted that the rejection using Japan 413 is withdrawn in view of the certified English translation.

Discussed rejection using Japan '710. Examiner commented that the rejection using Japan '710 stands. Claims 1 and 23 read on a real tire incorporating the figure 11 embodiment of Japan '710. The secondary references are used as evidence as to what spacings and sipe widths would be used.